

write give me the address of parties of
whom I could procure suitable paper
for botanical purposes. ^{I would be thankful} better for
drying plants and preserving them.

I have been disappointed in getting
east this year and so must write
for any information I need.

Thanking you for what you have done for
me and hoping to hear from you again
soon Believe me

Very respectfully
Sarah P. Cooper

Ellwood Ranch

Jan 16. 1876

Geo. E. Dawson Esq

Dear Sir

Yours very

valuable letter of May 3, has remained long
unread owing, not to a want of interest,
but to my being so closely engaged
at our College that my husband and
I are using our every effort to keep
alive. Vacation now gives me a
little respite, and I devote part of it
to my favorite study botany. Although
it is rather late in California to
do much in ferns.

I am glad that you have met with
Mrs. Woodward. She can give you a
fuller account of Santa Barbara and

nothing
more concerning it than any person
you could meet with who had visited
She is a close observer of nature and
an enthusiastic admirer of the beau-
tiful and interesting coast. - Could
you find time to visit California
I hope that you will extend your
journey to Santa Barbara. We would
be most happy to see you and to
give you a welcome to our lovely
Pinnons where grow some of your
favorites.

I was pleased to note that you made
out two species of the *Adiantum* I
sent. On account of my friend Mrs.
Bartlett who lives a few miles from
me at Glen Loch which holds the
'Pool'. She has remarked to me
repeatedly. "I am sure there are two
species of this *Adiantum*" while I
as often replied. "No. There cannot
be, else Prof. Bolander and Dr.

Colling. who have visited here would
have told me so. So she is right and
I am glad of it.

The *Aspidium Nouelaraense* must have
got in by mistake.

I will collect all the ferns I can for you
at this time. I fear it will not be much
that I can do on account of the ferns
being dried up in most places. I may
get some in Glen Loch, there being
more water there.

I am very much indebted for the many
specimens you sent me. I must try now
to get my herbarium in order, having
had so many additions to my collection
on acquaintance of mine in the Sand-
wich Islands is preparing for me a
set of their ferns in exchange for a set
of our sea-weeds. If you could spare
the time to prepare me two or three
papers of dried plants, as a model
for the beginning of an herbarium and